

## House Resolution No. 808

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State educational organizations that successfully strive to provide students with the opportunity to obtain the knowledge, skills, and experiences necessary to become lifelong learners, involved citizens, and future leaders of society; and

**Whereas**, the Ladue African American Students Alliance organization was founded in 2001 by Ladue Horton Watkins High School teachers Ed Johnson and Dominic Lenoir in an effort to provide support and peer mentoring for the African American students attending the school; and

**Whereas**, the mission of the Ladue African American Students Alliance is to encourage students of color to succeed by achieving academic excellence, developing leadership skills, and providing peer support, cultural appreciation, and a forum for students to hold meaningful discussions of current issues; and

**Whereas**, through many successful fundraising activities, the Ladue African American Students Alliance now offers scholarship assistance for graduating seniors; and

**Whereas**, the Ladue African American Students Alliance also offers tutoring to Ladue Middle School students, sponsors the Martin Luther King Essay and Art contests, and supports the Ladue Four A's organizations in developing an African American Parent Organizations and parent meetings; and

**Whereas**, currently under the leadership of Advisor Angela Haywood-Gaskin with Support Advisors Theresa Badgett, Eric Jefferson, and Lloyd Winston, the Ladue African American Students Alliance has been fortunate to have been under the leadership of its past Advisors who include Ed Johnson, Marcelle Charles, Carol Sue Allen, and Chrystal Sailor, all of whom can take pride in knowing that they consistently gave more than one hundred percent to all those activities that have made the Ladue African American Students Alliance the success that it is today:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the work and accomplishments association with the Ladue African American Students Alliance and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued success; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the Ladue African American Students Alliance.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Esther Haywood  
District No. 71

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Representative T. Scott Muschany  
District No. 87

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 808, adopted February 26, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker